

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## SB 6150

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Transportation, February 12, 2008

**Title:** An act relating to a driver's license renewal exemption for active foreign service members.

**Brief Description:** Providing for a driver's license renewal exemption for active foreign service members.

**Sponsors:** Senator Jacobsen.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 2/11/08, 2/12/08 [DP].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Majority Report:** Do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Murray, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Benton, Berkey, Delvin, Eide, Holmquist, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, King, Pflug, Sheldon and Spanel.

**Staff:** Janice Baumgardt (786-7319)

**Background:** A Washington state motor vehicle driver's license issued to any service member is valid so long as that person is serving in the armed forces, unless it is suspended, canceled, or revoked for cause. The license of the service member's spouse also remains in full force and effect if residing with the service member.

**Summary of Bill:** Washington state motor vehicle driver's licenses issued to members of the foreign service, and their spouses, are also valid so long as they are serving in the foreign services, unless it is suspended, canceled, or revoked for cause.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Staff Summary of Public Testimony:** PRO: It is as difficult for members of the foreign service to renew their licenses as it is for members of the armed forces; therefore they should have the same benefits.

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**Persons Testifying:** PRO: Senator Jacobsen, prime sponsor.